

JOINT LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ON EMERGENCY SERVICES AND HOMELAND SECURITY



# July 8, 2008

The following is a consolidated report of state operations and fire activity in Santa Barbara County. Information in this report is gathered from state and county offices of emergency services. Some information may not be verified.

#### GENERAL REPORT:

Burnout operations near the Winchester Gun Club were successful, reinforcing the northernmost control line. An infrared flight last night confirmed some hot spots remain on the east side of the fire, and firefighters will continue securing the line and mopping up that area. Crews will continue to mop up the southern portion of the line along the foothills.

## **EXTENT OF DAMAGE:**

\* Total Acres Burned to Date: 9,577 acres

\* Structures Destroyed: 4\* Structures Threatened: 251\* Fatalities and Injuries: 6 injured

\* Percent Contained: 50%

#### SUMMARY:

The Gap Fire is burning four (4) miles west of Highway 154 on Camino Cielo Road, north of Isla Vista in Bartlett Canyon. The fire is being managed under unified command between the Los Padres National Forest and Santa Barbara County Fire. All previous evacuation warnings remain in effect including: Goleta area west of Winchester Canyon to Dos Pueblos Canyon including, Eagle Canyon, Tecolote Canyon, Santa Barbara Ranch, Dos Pueblos Ranch, Painted Cave Area.

The mandatory Evacuation Order for the following areas has been reduced to a warning: Trout Club, Kinevan, Road area, West Camino Cielo to the Windemere Ranch, Haney Tract, and Hidden Valley. All residents of these, areas may return to their homes. Mandatory Evacuation Orders are still in effect for: West Camino Cielo west of, the Windemere Ranch to the actual fire area.

## **FIRE ASSISTANCE:**

\*The American Red Cross (ARC) has opened up a shelter at San Marcos High School located on the corner Turnpike Road and Hollister Avenue.

\*The Santa Barbara County Animal Services will operate an emergency animal shelter at the Red Cross evacuation center location. Individuals who stay at the evacuation center can bring their household pets (dogs, cats, etc.) to this animal shelter. For further information call 805-681-4332.

\*If you are not staying at the Red Cross evacuation center, you can bring your household pets to the Santa Barbara Humane Society at 5399 Overpass Road in Santa Barbara, CA. For further information call 805-964-4777.

#### **ROAD CLOSURES:**

All national forest lands south of Highway 154 and East Camino Cielo between Gibraltar Road and Refugio Road are now closed to public entry. The area will remain closed until the Gap Fire is suppressed. The closure prohibits all public entry to national forest lands, trails, roads and recreation sites. The closure does not apply to private land. The closure does not affect Highway 154, East Camino Cielo Road, Gibraltar Road or Refugio Road. Road closures can be expected to change regularly due to changing conditions. For information about road closures, please visit the Santa Barbara County website listed above.

### **RESOURCES:**

RADIO: FM Stations- KCSB—91.9 KSPE—94.5 (Spanish) KSYV—96.7 KTYD—99.9 KSBL—101.7 KRAZ— 105.9 KIST—107.7 (Spanish) San Marco Pass Radio 1040—AM, KTMS—990 KUHL—1410 KZSB—1290 KINF—1440 TV: Residents are advised to stay alert for additional information by listening to County Government cable TV station Channel 20.

<u>California Department of Emergency Services</u> CAL FIRE

Santa Barbara County Office of Emergency Services - (805) 681-5195 InciWeb

Los Padres NF Fire Information Center: (805) 961-5770 (7:00 a.m. - 10:00 p.m)

California State Warning Center: (916) 845-8911

# GAP FIRE PERIMETER MAP (CLICK ON MAP TO ENLARGE)

Courtesy of Santa Barbara County Fire Department

